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SINN FEIN REJECTS PREMIER'S PROPOSALS

DAIL EIREANN READY TO APPOINT PLENIPOTENTIARIES

NEUTRAL AND IMPARTIAL ARBITRATOR

LONDON, September 4.

The Irish reply rejects the Government's proposals on the ground that they do not offer dominion status. It says that rejection is irrevocable but Sinn Fein is ready immediately to appoint plenipotentiaries on the basis of the principle of government by consent of the governed.

LATER.

Mr. De Valera's reply to Mr. Lloyd George's letter of August 26 says that the Irish, too, are convinced that it is essential some definite and immediate progress should be made towards a basis on which further negotiations can usefully proceed. It describes the historical references in Mr. Lloyd George's last communication as fallacious and says that the essential data of the problem are as follows—

The people of Ireland, acknowledging no voluntary union with Great Britain and claiming as fundamental and natural the right to choose freely for themselves the path they shall take to realise their national destiny, have by an overwhelming majority declared for independence and established a republic.

REJECTION IRREVOCABLE.

Great Britain on the other hand acts as though Ireland were bound to her by a contract of union that forbade separation. The circumstances of the supposed contract are notorious, yet on the theory of its validity the British Government and Parliament claim to rule and legislate for Ireland, even to the point of partitioning Irish territory against the will of the Irish people and the killing or casting into prison of every Irish citizen refusing to give allegiance.

The British Government's proposals are based fundamentally on the latter premises. The Irish have rejected Mr. Lloyd George's proposals and that rejection is irrevocable. The proposals were not an invitation to Ireland to enter a free and willing partnership with the free nations of the British Commonwealth.

The proposals were an invitation to Ireland to enter under conditions determining a status definitely inferior to the status of these free states. The Dominions are all guaranteed against the domination of the major state not only by acknowledged constitutional rights giving them equality of status with Great Britain and absolute freedom from the control of the British Parliament and Government but by thousands of miles separating them from Great Britain, Ireland would have the guarantees neither of distance nor right. The conditions sought to be imposed would divide her into two artificial states, each destructive of the other's influence in any common council and both subject to the military, naval, and economic control of the British Government.

CAN ONLY RESIST FORCE.

The Irish are willing that a neutral and impartial arbitrator should judge between the diametrically opposed interpretations of history and the fact of geographical propinquity held by the British Government and the Irish. If the British Government refuse and threaten to give effect to their view forcibly, the Irish can only resist. Force will not solve the problem. It will never secure victory over reason and right. Threats of force must be set aside from the beginning as well as during the actual conduct of negotiations. The respective plenipotentiaries must meet untrammeled by any conditions except facts themselves, and must be prepared to reconcile subsequent differences, not by appeals to force covert or open but by reference to some guiding principle on which there is common agreement.

The Irish propose the principle of government by the consent of the governed. It is a simple expression of test to which any proposed solution must respond if it is to prove adequate. On this basis only the Irish see a hope of reconciling "considerations which must govern the attitude" of Britain's representatives with considerations that must govern the attitude of Ireland's representatives, and on this basis the Irish are ready immediately to appoint plenipotentiaries.

AUTOMOBILE GRAND PRIX

FRENCHMAN ESTABLISHES A WORLD'S RECORD.

BRESCIA, September 4.

The Automobile Grand Prix, the length of the course 30 times, over a lap of 17 kilometres 400 metres long, was won by a Frenchman named Goux on a Ballot machine in three hours 35 minutes nine seconds, at an average speed of 1442 kilometres per hour, a world's record. The second was also a Frenchman, named Chassagne, and the third an Italian named Wagner who was close up. During the race Bordini covered the seventh at a lap speed of 155 kilometres an hour.

800-MILE CYCLE RACE.

PARIS, September 4.

A cycle race from Paris to Brest and return, a distance of 800 miles was won by a Belgian named Mottiat, in 55 hours, seven minutes, eight seconds. A Frenchman named Christophe was second with 55½ hours.

INDIAN FLOUR EMBARGO.

RAPID RISE IN PRICE OF FOODSTUFFS.

SIHLA, September 4.

Owing to the rapid rise in the price of foodstuffs, especially wheat, the Government of India has decided to continue the prohibition of the export of wheat and flour, at least until the end of March. In order to prevent depletion stocks or enhancement of prices, supplies for the military will be as far as possible purchased abroad. In order to encourage private imports of wheat, particularly from Australia, and to assist the Indian flour mill industry, the Government has decided to permit the re-export of imported wheat in the form of flour to the extent of 50 per cent. of the weight of wheat imported.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

SIHLA, September 4.

With the approval of Mr. Montagu, Secretary of State for India, it was decided to introduce a substantial Indian element in the foreign and political department of the Indian Government. Recruitment will be made from the Indian members of the Civil Service, Indian commissioned officers, the Indian Army, and in cases of special merit, from officers in provincial civil services.

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WOPING MURDER.

ACCUSED ON TRIAL.

PRISONER GETS WETTING.

An audience almost as big as the one that witnessed the actual tragedy itself crowded into the Criminal Court this morning to listen to the proceedings at the trial of Young Ko, the accused man in the Woping Theatre murder case.

The Acting Chief Justice (Mr. H. J. Gouper) presided and the jury of seven was composed of the following—Robert Gray (foreman), C. E. Tavares, V. F. V. Ribeto, R. S. Judah, J. J. Gutierrez, E. M. Xavier and D. J. Cuthill.

For the prosecution the Attorney General (Mr. J. H. Kemp) appeared and assisting him was Mr. T. M. Harlezzig, the Assistant Crown Solicitor. Mr. F. C. Jenkins defended the prisoner who pleaded not guilty.

Before the Attorney General began his opening address Mr. Jenkins told the Judge that the prisoner had been marched to Court through the rain and consequently was wet through. A change of clothing had been sent for, and Mr. Jenkins trusted that the Court would give the man an opportunity later on of changing. At a subsequent stage a small parcel arrived in Court and at His Honour's direction the proceedings were adjourned while Young Ko retired to put on dry trousers and a singlet.

Opening the case to the jury, the Attorney General said the evidence would be that the dead man, an actor called Li Sui Fan, was shot on the night of August 16 while performing on the stage at the Woping. Handing three large plans of the theatre to the jury, the Attorney General explained that the shot that killed Li Sui Fan was fired by a man who stood in the front row of the stalls. It all happened very quickly, and nobody, perhaps would get a very good view of the actual event.

The chief evidence against the prisoner, continued the Attorney General, would be that of a Chinese detective who happened to be in the theatre and who, acting with great promptitude, ran after the man who fired the shot and pursued him as far as Gilman street where the fugitive was impeded by some one passing along the road and captured. He resisted violently, and it took three other constables to arrest him. During the pursuit he threw away a long white coat which had a revolver pistol wrapped up in it. There were one discharged cartridge and several live rounds in the pistol and the weapon was jammed. Another pistol was found near one of the exits but this, Mr. Kemp confessed that he could not prove any motive for the crime but that, he urged, was not an essential part of the case. If the jury were satisfied that the prisoner was the man who fired the shot that killed the actor then they were bound to find him guilty of the murder.

The evidence followed the lines of that given at the Police Court hearing. Dr. Moore of the G. C. H. gave medical evidence about the victim Mr. F. C. Neville, a surveyor in the P. W. D. put in plans of the theatre and neighbourhood and Mr. G. W. Avenell, of Lane Crawford and Co., gave expert evidence about the Mauser pistol.

Two eye witnesses of the murder were also called this morning. One of them, a married woman named Tsao Kwan, was unable to identify the accused, but the other, Li Pui, one of the actors, said that it was the prisoner who fired the shot.

Li Pui was searching cross-examined by Mr. Jenkins about the identification parade at the Police Station. He said that the prisoner was among a number of men who were lined up together. All of the men had long white coats on and some were barefooted.

Mr. Jenkins inquired whether a long white coat and bare feet were not a very unusual combination and the witness replied that they certainly were. He had never, he declared seen anybody dressed like that in the street. "No" observed counsel "it's like dressing up a European in a top hat and a nightshirt."

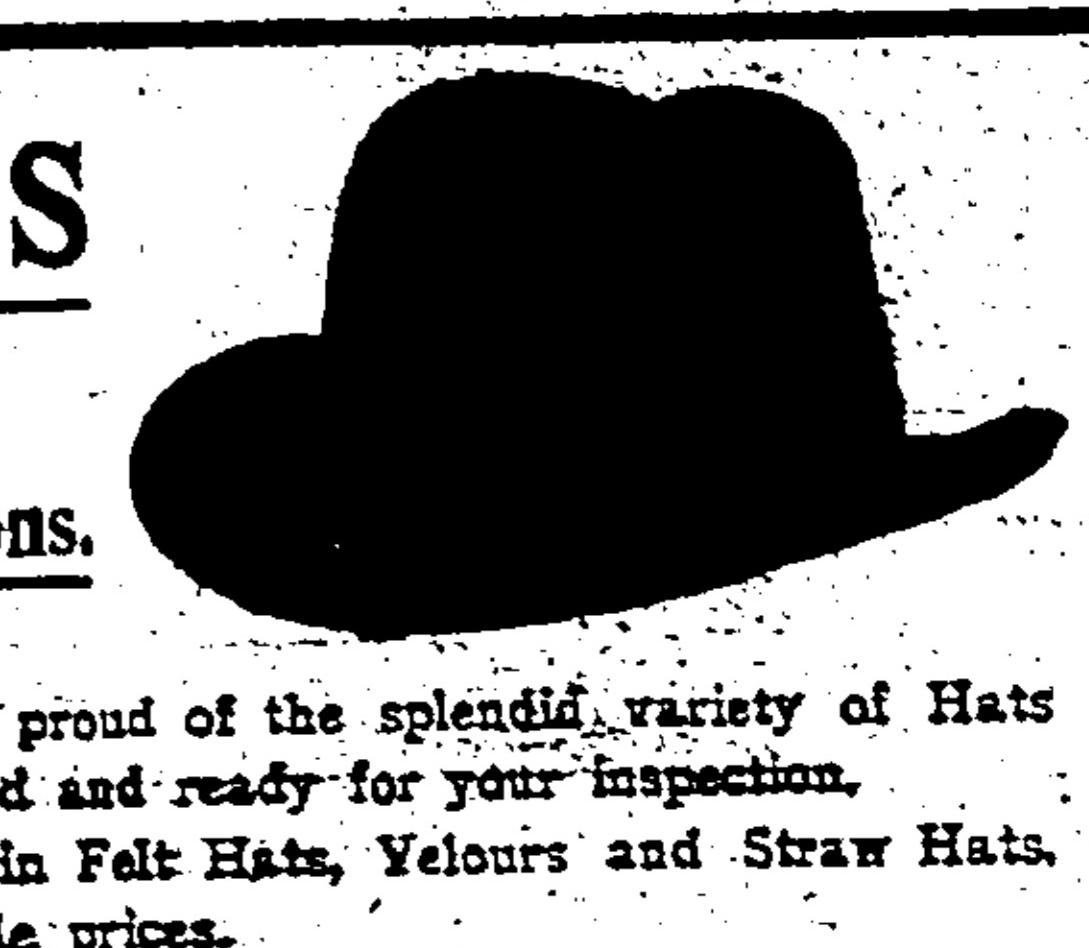
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ELEPHANT FEAST.

NATIVES GET INSIDE THE BODIES.

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“A HORIZON OF HOPE.”

MEDICAL ASSOCIATION'S DREAM OF PROGRESS.

The deliberations of the representative meeting of the British Medical Association were continued at Newcastle the other week. At the annual meeting in the afternoon Dr. David Drummond, Vice-Chancellor of Durham University, was formally inducted as President.

Dr. Drummond chose as the subject for his address “The Medical Profession: A Horizon of Hope.” After reviewing the present position, he discussed the qualities of mind which make the good doctor. Everything he said, turned upon the one essential point—was the doctor interested in his profession? He dealt at some length with this question of vocation, and then emphasized the value of post-mortem room work in the study of disease. He continued:

“It is recognized by all that the earlier a diagnosis is made the better for the patient, and notwithstanding this self-evident truth it is remarkable how little attention has been given to the training of students in the recognition of the earlier indications of disease. The words are, as a rule, filled with examples of advanced disease, and the subjects selected for clinical lectures and demonstrations are usually conditions in which history, and physical signs are as far as possible characteristic and strongly marked. This is almost inevitable, for the student has but a short two years into which to crowd his clinical training, and he is naturally attracted by outstanding and obvious pathological changes in which the signs and symptoms are more or less gross and appeal to his untrained senses. It is evident that something must be done to help forward the student's training in this direction. At present his opportunities are derived from attendance in the out-patient department of the hospital, where, as a large number of patients have to be seen, the teacher is a member of the junior staff, and is not infrequently only just qualified.

DIAGNOSIS AND DISEASE.

“I have no wish to underestimate the value of the out-patient teaching, but the diagnosis of incipient disease is at once the most difficult and the most important problem the doctor has to face, and yet it must be admitted that hitherto but little attention has been given to this phase of clinical medicine. It is generally supposed that the art of diagnosis will be acquired later in the course of practice, but it is then too late, for in general practice there is, fear, contrary to the expectation of the authors of the present system, no such thing as early diagnosis. The truth is there is no time to work out an accurate diagnosis in an early case in a crowded consulting room in general practice, and there is danger of the practice leading a false art. For

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DANCING AND HEAT CHECK PLAN TO LENGTHEN THEM.

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It is believed that English and American women, accustomed to the greater freedom given by short skirts, will shrink from longer dresses.

not competitive, and the object of the examining board, composed of home or internal and external examiners, was to impose a test that will safeguard the public. But as such a test it was necessarily very imperfect, since it took cognizance only of the present, ignored the past, and made no attempt to anticipate the future. He welcomed, therefore, the support and recommendation of the General Medical Council in this direction.



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Let may be inspected on Monday,
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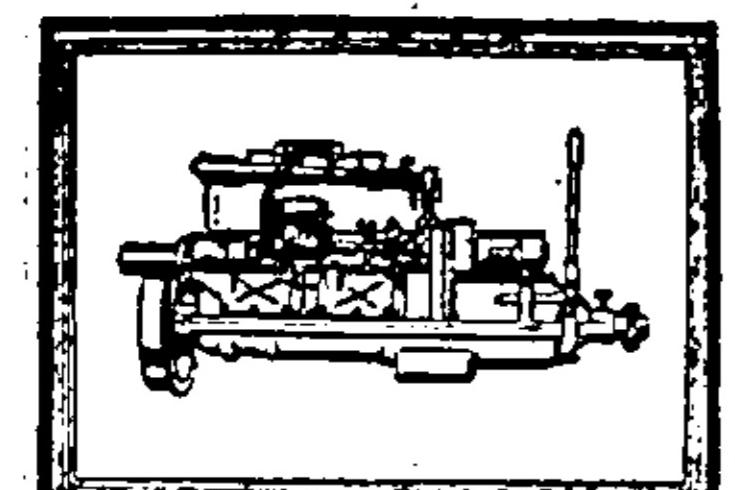
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THE NEXT GYMKHANA is fixed
for SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1st, and not October 8th, as previously
announced. Entries consequently
CLOSE on TUESDAY, September 20th.
Hongkong, September 2, 1921.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FIRST YEARLY DRAWING
of 20 DEBENTURES (1920 issue
—\$500 each) of the Hongkong Club,
payable on FRIDAY, the 30th Septem-
ber, 1921, will be held in the CLUB
HOUSE at 11 o'clock, a.m., on
THURSDAY, the 5th September, 1921.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to
attend the Drawing.

By Order,

A. H. ABRAHAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 27, 1921.

NOTICE.

WELL KNOWN CAIRO FIRM
making high-class Egyptian
Cigarettes, desires to appoint a reliable
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NOTICE.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
CO. LTD.

A INTERIM DIVIDEND of Fifty
cents (\$1 per share) has been declared for the half year ending
30th June, 1921.

Such Interim Dividend will be payable on
an after FRIDAY, the 28th September, at the Offices of the Com-
pany, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from the
20th August, 1921, until the 9th
September, 1921, (both days inclusive),
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 23, 1921.

TEE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-
FACTURING CO., LTD.

A INTERIM DIVIDEND OF
ONE DOLLAR (\$1) per share
for account 1921 will be payable on
MONDAY, the 14th September, 1921.
Shareholders are requested to apply for
Dividend Warrants at the Company's
Office, St. George's Building, Hongkong.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from SAT-
URDAY, 10th September, 1921, to
MONDAY, the 13th September, 1921,
both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, September 3, 1921.

WISEMAN, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the Share-
holders in the above Company will be
held at the Company's Offices 14, Bis
Vean Road, Central, Hongkong, on
WEDNESDAY, 11th day of September,
1921, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon
for the purpose of presenting the
Report of the Directors and Statement
of Accounts to 31st July, 1921.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from 5th
to 11th September, 1921, both days
inclusive.

By Order,

D. K. KHARAS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 1, 1921.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the HONGKONG DOLLAR
DIRECTORY has been acquired, as
from July 1st, 1921, by the under-
signed with all rights and titles, and will
hereafter be published by them. No
claims against the Hongkong Dollar
Directory incurred prior to this date
will be admitted by the undersigned.

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CURES BY MIND.

PSYCHO-ANALYSIS.

NEW WAY WITH PAIN AND MALADY.

The cure of pain and malady
by mind, not medicine, or what is
known as psychotherapy and psycho-
analysis, has come into its own at the
British Medical Association.

Professor Robertson, of Edinburgh,
Dr. Helen Boyle, of Brighton,
were the chief figures in an original
debate in the so-called psychiatry
(study of mental diseases) section of
the association to-day.

The professor gave an example
where wounds had been actually pro-
duced as well as diseases cured by
mere suggestion. In one case definite
blister were raised on a particular
part of the body merely by sug-
gestion.

French doctors have even treated
pneumonia by mental processes. By
increasing the cheerfulness and hope-
fulness of the patient the cure was
materially assisted. But the cures
deal principally with what are called
borderland cases, and chief among
these melancholia in its many forms.

Professor Robertson, and others
urged that doctors had been made by
their training too material, and that
they would do much more good
by greater attention to moral and
mental cures, even if they threw many
medicines into the sea.

Apropos of this point, one doctor
told me privately that he could make
an absolute certainty of curing sea-
sickness merely by psychic means and
the strengthening of the patient's
will-power.

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She quoted particular cases and
indulged in one delightful dig at hus-
bands who thought that if they gave
their wives a nice little house and
garden that was all a woman could
desire.

She gave one strictly medical piece
of advice. Her experience was that
psychic treatment was not of much
use if the patient was very much re-
duced in weight. Increase the weight
and psycho-therapy becomes easy and
effective.

STUPID METHODS.

Incidentally, and by way of illustration
of her view that present methods
were too stupid and stereotyped, she
argued that if she and her supposititious
husband drifted into a state of
bad relationship she would not be
able to attempt a reconciliation without
a change from the house where the
alienation had grown up.

The voice of psycho-analysis was
apparent even in the exhibition of
apparatus. Books on the subject,
notably Brady's "Logic of the Un-
conscious Mind," sell like hot cakes.

The most interesting among the
demonstrations was the eating of a
complete dinner, from soup to savoury,
by an armless soldier through the
agency of that most wonderfully
jointed apparatus known as Thompson's
machine worked by the foot. The picking
up of the full spoonful to the mouth
is a marvel of efficient
neatness. It was exhibited by Sir
James Cautle, who spent most of the
morning in urging the claim of first-
aid to be a special branch of practical
surgery, in explaining his scheme of
fixing aid to the leg.

The Americans made numerous errors
in the third set, Kumagae brought off
several pretty placements. The games,
at the beginning of the fourth, went,
alternately, to the Japanese and the
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forced ahead, after deuce was called, on
the errors of Williams, and by the clever
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MCCANN.—On September 3, at 19 Chatham Road, Kowloon, to Mr. and Mrs. John Smith McCann, a daughter.

The China Mail.

"FACTS, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"
HONGKONG, MONDAY, Sept. 5, 1921.

LAND SALES.

It would be hard to suggest a subject for controversy on which more could be said on both sides than the subject mooted in Mr. Bird's question at the last Legislative Council meeting, whether the Government sell building sites in non-urban areas by private treaty instead of public auction? But for the extraordinary confession in the official reply, we would have heartily applauded the Government's attitude and decision. Brief as was the Colonial Secretary's answer, far too brief for such a large subject, it included a statement that seems to us reprobable, and a statement that robs us of our satisfaction with the Government's decision to adhere to what we regard as the fairest way of distributing our superficies. The Colonial Secretary astounded us with the announcement that "sales by private treaty are not infrequently effected in special cases." He also rather surprised us by giving as the Government's reason for not departing (save in those "not infrequent" special cases) from the general principle of sale by auction. That in that way the community "obtains the full value of the land." That does not follow, but if it did, it is not the only or even main reason for the general principle of open and advertised sales. We do not suggest that our officials are not all honest and incorruptible men when we say disposed of openly and publicly. We

applaud the Government's adherence to the principle. We deplore its confession that there have been frequent breaches of it. We urge it to make it a strict rule. Previous governments of Hongkong have been dishonest; others have been slack. We hope better things of the present one, which (it may comfort it to know) appears to us to be doing very well indeed.

Incidentally, though the remark is probably capable of innocent and satisfactory explanation, our attention has been called to something said by our very worthy and hard-working Director of Public Works. He spoke of plans of land along new roads being ready for the Government, "for them to reserve plots and for the others to be put up to the public." What are these reservations, and why is not every site along a new road (where the Government has no public building in view) put up to the public? There is nothing that should be more jealously watched, or more scrupulously done, than the distribution of public lands, because there is never enough to go round.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. "Cairo," Captain H. S. Currie, D.S.O., left Hankow for Hongkong on August 29.

Mr. N. Hardie has passed his examination as master (s.s.). Mr. J. Roberts passed as 2nd Engineer.

The Hongkong Repe Manufacturing Co., Ltd., has declared an interim dividend of \$1 per share.

Anna El-Tour and Leo Podolsky, for their concerts in Manila, got enthusiastic notices in the papers there.

Mr. R. J. Mules, civil engineer, Devonport Dockyard, has been appointed to Hongkong vice Mr. C. H. Cole.

The night swimming fete at the Victoria Recreation Club will be held on Wednesday, the 7th inst., weather permitting.

A tea factory in Honam was the scene of a big fight between union labourers and non-union men last Thursday.

José de Castro, a Filipino, was fined on Saturday because opium and a pistol were found in his flat in Wellington Street. He was fined \$250 for the opium and \$150 for the gun.

Suffering from injuries received in the course of a fight with another man who has absconded, a Chinese is now in the Government Civil Hospital receiving treatment. His injuries are not considered serious.

In connection with the Hongkong University Matriculation examinations in November, particulars are announced in our advertisement columns of four scholarships which will be awarded on the result of the examination.

During the blow from the tail of the typhoon which caught Hankow recently the "Cheatung" inward bound, was driven against H. M. S. "Cairo," which was at anchor in midstream. Both vessels suffered a certain amount of damage.

Major-General Leonard Wood authorizes the statement that the Wood-Forbes Mission will visit China and Japan, leaving Manila in the middle of September. General Wood expects to return to the United States before taking up his appointment to the Governorship of the Philippines.

Mr. R. C. Treman of Nanking was dashed over the Kuling falls on August 26. He had gone with a party to the falls and was seated with others on a rock when a wall of water from a cloudburst of the hills above swept him off his feet and over the falls. A party went out at night to search for the body. This tragedy coming after the similar death of Miss Kunkle last year, has thrown the whole population into gloom, says a correspondent.

The excavations in Queen's Road Central, it was explained to a *China Mail* reporter at the head office of the Hongkong Electric Co., this morning, are incidental to the laying of new cables, the present system having practically reached the limit of its capacity. These new cables, which will be laid throughout the city to meet growing demands, will eventually form part of the Company's big scheme to increase power from 100 to 200 volts.

The following results of shorthand examinations held at the Italian Convent, have just been received—Elementary: First best, Miss Agnes Gill; Second best, Katherine Hunt; third best, Muriel Tanaka, followed by Dolores Talmage, Mary Medins, Laura Figueiredo, Alice Marsh, Frances Dunn, Mercedes Castilho, May Dillon and Laura Dunn. Theory: Elizabeth Ward and Barbara Santos. Full certificates: Vida Williams, Edwina-Ronale, Lina Koza, Agnes Fung, Mollie Rahman, Annie Cordeiro and Laura Santos.

SPECIAL CABLE.

CHOLERA AT SHANGHAI.

TWO DEATHS.

[*China Mail* SPECIAL.]

SHANGHAI, September 5. Several foreigners in Shanghai are suffering from cholera. There were two deaths during the past seven days.

STRANDED STEAMERS SAFELY DOCKED.

VERY LITTLE DAMAGE.

[*China Mail* SPECIAL.]

SHANGHAI, September 5. The *Cordillera* and the *Claudius* reached Shanghai on Saturday. Both are now in dry dock. They suffered comparatively little damage.

BRIE OFFERING.

SOLICITOR'S CLERK AND STALLHOLDER.

Sergeant Elston, in charge of the Hawker's Licensing Department, at the Central Station, on Saturday charged a Chinese woman before Magistrate Lindsell with having offered him a bribe of \$30.

According to the sergeant, the defendant, who was formerly the holder of a cigarette stall at the corner of Jubilee Street and Connaught Road Central, was, in consequence of the discovery that she had obtained the pitch from another woman by deceit, ordered in July to move to another locality. Since that time, she had interviewed the witness at the Central Station several times with a view to having the old pitch restored to her. The last occasion she saw the witness was on August 31, when she handed him a chit by Au Cheuk Sang, a man who had once or twice accompanied the defendant in her interview with the witness, and had described him self as an assistant clerk to Mr. Longinotto, solicitor. After he had read the note, the defendant handed him another envelope. This contained two \$10 notes, nine \$1 notes and \$1 in silver. When asked what the money was for, the defendant leaned over the table and whispered to the witness "I have given \$20 to Ah Au, \$20 to your brother, and this \$30 is for you. I want my old pitch back." Then, as if by way of an afterthought, the defendant added "Give \$10 to Lo Yip (the original holder of the pitch). The witness took her to the charrong room.

The defendant said that Au Cheuk Sang gave her both envelopes, one containing the money in the right hand and the other in the left. He told her to give the sergeant the first, and not to surrender the money until he asked for it. After reading the note, she alleged, the sergeant stretched out his hand to receive the other envelope, and she handed it to him. She would not have surrendered it had he not asked for it.

The sergeant denied this. Au Cheuk Sang said that he had been a solicitor's clerk for 15 years. He admitted that he had written and signed the note produced, and given the defendant instructions regarding the money. The defendant had often interviewed him with regard to her pitch, and in order to put an end to her consultations, which were annoying him, he lied to her once that he had offered money to Sergeant Elston, but was not successful in getting her pitch back. She elected to try herself, so he wrote out the note for her.

The Magistrate remanded the case in order that Lo Yin, the original holder of the pitch might give evidence. This morning the defendant was committed to stand his trial at the next Criminal Session.

Mr. Longinotto appeared in Court this morning and denied that Au Cheuk Sang was his clerk. The man had since absconded and cannot be found.

CHECKING THE POLICE.

COSTS MONEY.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Magistrate Lindsell with having used abusive language towards an Indian Sergeant at Hung-hom yesterday. The Sergeant said that he was talking to a constable near the station yesterday afternoon, when the defendant passed him and said in Chinese "Molo kooi, what are you talking about?" The defendant then imitated the witness's speech.

As the defendant was obviously doing this to annoy him, the witness arrested the defendant. The defendant said that he was talking in the Tungku dialect with a friend about a pair of shoes which he had bought, and the Sergeant must have misunderstood him. He certainly did not address the Indian as alleged. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

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FUTURE OF FILM DOM.

VISITING KINEMA MAGNATE INTERVIEWED.

PICTURE OF TO-MORROW.

VOICE AND COLOUR IN MOVING PICTURES.

The talking cinema, the coloured film, the home projector, the picture of to-morrow—these and many other fascinating aspects of the great moving picture industry were discussed with a *China Mail* reporter on Saturday by a member of America's largest film exporting concern, Dr. Howells, brother of David P. Howells, famous in the United States as the head of First National. Dr. Howells, who is making a business tour of the East, visiting India, Java, Malaya, China, and Japan, stated that First National, in addition to controlling 4,300 houses in the United States, is the largest exporter of American films today. Apart from films bought in the open market, it controls the distribution of First National and Metro pictures to the entire East, a field in which it is the pioneer exporter of big feature films. In Britain which is its best customer for American films, it has established its own distributing agency.

A \$16,000,000 CONTRACT.

The story of how First National came to be formed is itself interesting.

At the mercy of his star, the producer

formerly exacted such exorbitant

prices for his pictures that an exhibitor's association was formed as a protective measure. Started thus, First National soon found itself in a position to oust its competitors and secure the best pictures in the open market. The latest achievement to us credit is the biggest contract ever made in the cinema industry, a 4-year compact with Norma and Constance Talmadge involving the record figure of \$16,000,000. Incidentally, it is interesting to note that eight years ago these two famous stars were the daughters of an Irish policeman living on the East side of New York City with a salary of \$80 a month. Norma Talmadge has just won a popularity contest for the United States organised independently of the cinema industry.

HOME KINEMAS.

The cinema offers a wonderful opportunity for new ideas in education, said Dr. Howells, especially in such subjects as botany, physics, geography, etc.

There is scarcely a branch of science

that could not benefit by using the

film in spreading its teaching.

Today hundreds of small projectors are being manufactured, and in most

American schools films of great

educational value are being shown

to the scholars. Himself a skilled

surgeon, Dr. Howells, believes that

the cinema will prove itself invaluable in the medical profession.

DR. HOWELLS.

The picture of the future, said Dr.

Howells in answer to a further question, will be safer—less sensational

and more true to life. "Of course

all art must be exaggerated, but I

think the day of the very thrilling serial

with ten buckets of blood is gone.

I really commend the action of some

censors in refusing to pass extreme

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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (aboard)	Destination
"KASHMIR"	9,700	6th Sept.	MARSEILLE, LONDON & A/wr.
"DILWARA"	5,400	13th Sept.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"KEYBER"	9,400	16th Sept.	MARSEILLE, LONDON & A/wr.
"KIVA"	9,000	14th et c.	MARSEILLE, LONDON & A/wr.
"N. PELINA"	6,500	25th Oct.	MARSEILLE, LONDON & A/wr.
"KARMAKA"	5,000	11th Nov.	MARSEILLE, LONDON & A/wr.

BRITISH INDIA-APC&R SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (aboard)	Destination
"ARRATOON APC&R"	4,510	9th Sept.	Calcutta, via Singapore Penang and Rangoon.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (aboard)	Destination
"EASTERN"	4,000	22nd Sept.	Manila, Thursday 17th Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	15th et c.	

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (aboard)	Destination
"TAKADA"	7,000	8th Sept.	Amoy, Shanghai and Kow. Japan via Shanghai.
"KEIBA"	8,000	12th Sept.	
"SARDINIA"	6,500	28th Sept.	Japan via Shanghai.

SPECIAL STEAMER.

The P. & O. "EGERT" is expected to leave Hongkong on or about the 1st January, 1922, taking passengers and cargo for MARSEILLE and LOND IX calling at Bombay.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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THE INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, September 3rd.
Queen Wilhelmina received twenty members of the International Law Association at the royal castle at Apeldoorn.

The Congress has concluded after adopting rules regarding maritime carriage of goods.

THE HAGUE, September 3rd.

The International Law Association discussed international law as it affects private persons.

AMERICAN LABOUR TROUBLE.

WASHINGTON, September 3rd.
Four thousand troops have started for the Mingo (West Virginia) mining district, where it is reported that firing between miners and police continues.

AMERICA'S UNKNOWN WARRIOR.

PARIS, September 3rd.
According to *Le Matin*, the United States Embassy has officially notified the French War Office that General Pershing will come to France at the beginning of October to fetch the body of the American Unknown Soldier, which will be transferred to the United States for burial in the Arlington National Cemetery, near Washington.

General Pershing will be accompanied by an American private, who will place the coffin. It is expected that Marshal Foch will attend the burial, which will probably be held at the end of October with great solemnity.

BORDEAUX, September 4th.

The firmness of the German Government in resolutely suppressing Monarchist and reactionary movements has gained them much popular respect, which so far had been somewhat lacking. Last week's events have proved that German labour, both moderate and extreme, support the Government and uphold the Republic. They have vigorously suppressed Monarchist demonstrations, such as the Sedan celebrations, in various parts of Germany.

Bavaria, which so far has been resisting the firm measures of the Central Government, appears to be yielding to the pressure. The Bavarian newspapers, which defied the Berlin order to suspend publication, have now ceased to appear.

The Saxon Government is strongly supporting the Central Government.

The Allies regard favourably the strengthening of the Wirth Ministry, because it is a guarantee that Germany will carry out the Versailles Treaty.

MEXICAN OIL PROBLEM.

MEXICO CITY, September 4th.

Representatives of American oil interests have reached an agreement with Senor de la Huerta, Minister of Finance, but this agreement lacks President Obregon's signature. Americans express satisfaction at the agreement.

FRENCH HARVEST.

PARIS, September 2nd.

The Minister of Agriculture has reported to the Cabinet that the forthcoming harvest will approximate eighty-five million quintals, including two million from the Upper Rhine. An exceptionally high average, 16.40 per hectare, is anticipated from the Lower Rhine and the Moselle areas.

BURGENLAND DISPUTE.

LONDON, September 4th.

It is understood that Government circles consider that the Sino-Finn reply is a definite rejection of the Government's proposals. The situation is regarded as extremely grave.

DISTURBANCES IN INDIA.

LONDON, September 3rd.

Latest telegrams from India indicate that there is a lull in the situation.

All Mudaliar, the rebel leader, has been arrested.

A Simla message says that the military

have taken over charge at Tirurangadi, where a number of Moplahs have surrendered.

No fighting has taken place. The warden *Comte* left Calicut as naval assistance was no longer necessary.

A Simla message says that the rebels

have been arrested.

Particulars of the murder of a retired Hindu inspector of police, who staunchly supported the Government, show that the rebels stuck his head on a pole and carried it through the bazaar.

It is reported that 300 Hindus of Meluriamsham have been forcibly converted to Islam.

MADRAS, September 4th.

In the course of a speech, in the Madras Legislative Council, Lord Willingdon

declared that the religious fanaticism of the Moplahs was the instrument used by the leaders of a widespread dangerous

organisation, who were only watching

for an opportunity to attempt violently

to overthrow the Government and the

whole civil administration. Although

the policy of the Government had been

as far as possible to avoid exciting

public opinion, they were resolved to enforce the observance of law and order,

and to punish the guilty.

Mandalay, September 3rd.

Disturbances continue between caste Hindus and Audhravids in the mill

areas, which are patrolled by the military at night.

The Police intervened in a serious

fracture and were unable to stop

the disturbances.

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE.

NEW YORK, September 2nd.

Mr. Elihu Root's declaration of the

seat in the International Court of Justice

was conveyed in a letter to Signor

Tittoni, who, thereupon, suggested

the name of the prominent American jurist

Mr. John Bassett Moore, ex-Assistant

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SHIPPING.

ASSESSMENT OF SHIPPING.

THE SLUMP IN VALUES.

In the resumed debate on the Finance Bill in the House of Commons, Sir William Raeburn moved an amendment to the Excess Profits Duty section of the bill. That there shall be granted as an allowance the difference between the original cost price of the asset plus any subsequent capital expenditure and its value after the war for this purpose shall be its value on the 31st day of August, 1921." He said the amendment involved two points, the one the principle upon which a war asset should be balanced, and the other the date on which the valuation should take place. In the bill the phrase and "Reward shall be had to the conditions prevailing on the 31st day of December, 1920," was exceedingly wide, and was entirely wide of the promise given by the Treasury at the time E.P.D. was first introduced. Immediately after the introduction of E.P.D. deputation of shipowners—he was president of the Chamber of Shipping—was received by Mr. McKenna, then Chancellor of the Exchequer, who said that obsolescence and depreciation of shipping in regard to assessment would be taken into account after the war, and that they should be entitled to take into account the price paid for a ship, the capital expenditure, and the value after the war. The value of tonnage had recently assumed a somewhat fictitious value as the result of the throwing on the market of 300 German ships, and no account was taken of such circumstances by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. The present Chancellor of the Exchequer had said that he would stand by the promises of his predecessor, and that was all that he was asking for now. The Treasury had also issued a memorandum reporting Mr. McKenna's declaration. The effect of his amendment, continued Sir William Raeburn, would be that it would not leave to mere chance what the Inland Revenue might regard as circumstances to be taken into account. The second point was in respect of the date of valuation. The date mentioned in the amendment was that adopted in regard to holders of stock and there was no reason why it should not be applied in the case of shipping. The very highest price of British tonnage in January, 1920, was £31; the fall was unappreciable until June, 1920, and then it had fallen to £24, and in December until now it had fallen from £14, and from December until now it had fallen from £14 to £7 15s. They could therefore imagine what that meant in the case of tonnage of 12,000 to 20,000 tons. He did not think it fair to place the valuation as at 31st December last. He thought the Chancellor of the Exchequer should give another date than December 31st, 1920, as it was the period before the fall came heavily. Many had disposed of their ships when the prices were high, and those who held on were now placed in a position of great disadvantage. Many of the big lines lost a large proportion of their tonnage and replaced them sometimes at huge cost.

Mr. Alex. Shaw seconded the amendment, pointing out that many shipowners had relied on the promises of the Government, and that substantial justice was being done to them.

Sir R. Horne replied that the Government would stand by the pledges given by Mr. McKenna on this subject, and would apply the principle of the memorandum issued by the Inland Revenue, but the terms of the amendment were too vague. As to the date for ascertaining the post-war value it would be obviously unfair to the State to take the bottom of the pit of depression, and the date specified in the clause was, he contended, the fairest as between the State and the shipowner. Plainly, it would not be equitable to take the value of a ship as cost price of a ship built years before the war and its value at a time after the war, when the slump had reached its lowest. Its cost price must be that at the outbreak or during the war. Many shipowners had bought at high prices, not from patriotic motives, but simply because they considered it good business, and he could not conceive there was anything unfair in the Government's proposal.

Sir W. Raeburn expressed satisfaction that at any rate the Govern-

ment had decided to stand by Mr. McKenna's pledge. There were, he said, a large number of claims coming forward, and they now knew they would be considered according to a definite principle.

The amendment was negatived without a division.

ANNUAL REPORT.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

The report of the Java-China-Japan Line states that conditions were favourable at the beginning of last year, the demand for tonnage being brisk and freights were at a remunerative level notwithstanding the enormous height of working expenses. This prosperity did not, however, prove of long duration, towards the middle of the year trade declined and freights fell. Towards the end of the year the slump developed with even more rapidity, while salaries and wages, costs of fuel and stores and maintenance remained high. The ultimate results of the slump will be more evident in the report for this year on account of the number of voyages started towards the end of last year, which were only completed this year. In the trade between the Dutch East Indies and China competition by Japanese and by United States Shipping Board tonnage became more keen. The latter even accepted lower rates of freight than were justified by the state of the market, and this policy still further weakened freights. It can hardly be expected, however, that competition from American steamers will be permanently maintained on a route where American trade interests do not play a role. Sugar rates to China and Japan have now fallen to pre-war level. The sharp deviations in the value of the Mexican dollar greatly interfered with the trade in East Asiatic countries, and in consequence shipments of sugar from Java were very irregular. The Java-Pacific Line carried large quantities of copra cakes from the Dutch East Indies to the Pacific coast of the United States, but shipments of other colonial produce were small. Early last year the United States purchased huge quantities of Java sugar, the shipment of these securing to the steamers on this route full outward cargoes. The offer of cargo from San Francisco suffered on account of the general slump in trade and the high rate of the American dollar although the offer of cargo from the San Francisco district was fairly well maintained, it was exceedingly difficult to secure cargo from the interior of the States owing to the unfavourable railway rates to the west coast. Serious delays were met in ports on Java, the conditions prevailing at these ports being so bad that there was not the least guarantee of even moderate despatch being obtainable, and running expenses and duration of trips were unfavourably influenced thereby.

As was risks may now be considered to have ended, the balance of the reserve fund for war risk, amounting to 1,918,333£, has been transferred to insurance reserve fund.

Owing to the fall in shipping values the cost price of new steamers contracted for before the slump will be too high to find profitable employment for these vessels. The directors, therefore, consider it essential to strengthen the reserve for steamers under construction, so that the book value of these steamers will be more in accordance with their actual market value. They therefore proposed to increase this reserve by 2,000,000£ from profit and loss account and 1,200,000£ from miscellaneous reserve fund. On Jan. 1, 1920, miscellaneous reserve fund amounted to 12,332,360£, and out of this fund E.P. duty in Holland for 1918 of 4,631,070£ was paid, and 1,200,000£ transferred to reserve for steamers under construction the balance at the end of the year being 6,521,290£. Out of this amount E.P. duty in the Dutch East Indies for 1919 is payable.

The gross profit for last year was 6,317,490£, against 10,675,762£ for 1919. The directors propose to write off 512,930£ on steamers, 1,080,973£ on property in Asia, 46,664£ on stocks, 1,303,787£ on securities, and 2,000,000£ on reserve for steamers under construction, leaving a balance available for division of 1,378,000£, against 2,496,051£ for 1919. From this a dividend of 15 per cent. can be paid, against 25 per cent. for 1919, and 106,000£ added to reserve fund.

SEAMEN'S LAW IN JAPAN.

COMPREHENSIVE REVISION PROPOSED.

A revision of the Seamen's Law is expected to be introduced in the next session of the Diet in order both to meet the requirements of the shipping trade, which has undergone great development, and to adopt the decision reached by the first International Seamen's Conference, writes a correspondent of the *Journal of Commerce*.

The only Japanese regulations relating to seamen are the *Ship Officers' Law* promulgated in April, 1896, and the *Seamen's Law* promulgated in March, 1889, both laws being based on the German code. Since that time Japan's shipping has greatly expanded, especially at the time of the Russo-Japanese war and the European war, but no revision of the Seamen's Law has ever been made.

Even apart from this consideration, the resolution of the International Seamen's Conference necessitates a revision of the Japanese law. In the circumstances, the Department of Communications is now making necessary investigations with a view to introducing an amendment in the Diet.

The resolutions of the International Seamen's Conference cover: (1) Prohibition of the employment of children under 14 years of age; (2) guarantee of the means of subsistence for a period of not less than three months for the shipwrecked crew; and (3) establishment of free employment agencies. The first item necessitates a revision of the Japanese Seamen's Law. As to the second, the authorities are as yet undecided as to whether it should be covered by the Marine Law or by the Seamen's Law. It is expected, however, that the necessary provision will be made in the Marine Law. The third item calls for the enactment of a separate new law.

It is not yet known along what lines the Seamen's Law will be revised, but it is understood that the principal points of consideration are: (1) Question of working hours; (2) establishment of a minimum number of crew; (3) improvement of men's quarters; (4) matters relating to the supply of food and provisions to the crew; (5) compulsory installation of wireless apparatus; (6) prohibition of the placing of cargo on deck; (7) matters relating to the loadline scale; (8) settlement of disputes between shipowners and seamen; and (9) employment contracts between shipowners and seamen. The proposed revision of the Seamen's Law is to be studied with particular reference to these points, and revisions are to be made with due regard for the actual conditions in shipping circles.

PACIFIC COMPETITION.

FREIGHT CONFERENCES.

According to the *Asahi*, there is a good chance of the Westward Pacific Freight Conference, which was previously reported as being moribund, reviving. This Conference is now very feebly founded and has but few participants. To the northern Conference in Seattle, which forms part of that Conference, the C.P.O.S. Frank W. House and Co., Admiral line, N.Y.K., and O.S.K. belong. The southern Conference, whose headquarters are situated in San Francisco has only the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., China Pacific Company, and T.K.K. These companies, though they are in touch, are competing in regard to freight rates, and the southern Conference is almost non-existent. These conferences from the Conference profess that they are in no position to be constrained by the Conference through the marine depression, but the *Asahi* declares authoritatively that they were indignant at the attempt of British companies, with the Blue Funnel as their leader, and the American Shipping Board, to make a monopoly of the resolution rights of the Conference by allowing many of their nationals to partake in the Conference. Having become cognisant of the fact that not only is unprofitable for the remaining companies to carry on competition, but that to do so will bring unexpected profits to the non-participants, and that at such a juncture as this it is necessary, in order to re-establish the situation, to invite the former participants and try to maintain freight

SPORT.

INTERPORT POLO.

SHANGHAI TEAM'S PRACTICE.

The Shanghai Interport Polo team which is due to play here for the Keswick Cup this month, played an interesting practice match last week against a strong combination representing the rest of Shanghai. Commenting on the game, the *N.C.D. News* says:

McMichael and Robinson, both being selected to go to Hongkong, were able to put in some useful combination work which will form a very good basis from which to plan their practices next week. Col. R. Marr Johnson will again enter the arena, this time as coach to the Interport team, which at present consists of McMichael, Robinson, Boyd and Brennan.

For the remainder of the season play will take place on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday only, on each of which days the prospective Hongkong team will play four chukkers against teams selected from the remainder of the playing members present. Such being the case A and B classes will now combine and play against the selected team on the days above mentioned.

Owing to the rapidly shortening evenings it is hoped that all players desirous of getting a fair share of games will endeavour to arrive on the ground as early as possible. From news to hand it is anticipated that the team representing the Crown Colony will not be as strong as that which visited Shanghai last year, but that, of course, remains to be seen; furthermore the question of transit and condition of the visiting ponies will prove a large factor in success or otherwise and the Shanghai players should be careful, when playing their test matches before going down, not to run the risk of shipping their ponies "stale." Pace and dash are great things in polo, but there should always be a bit in hand for the day, on which, when the results come to be absolutely boiled down, only goal-getting really counts on the score.

An instance of this is the play of the successful American team in the recent International match. Before the great event they were beaten, and the betting went against them, but on the day, when full steam was turned on, they had a good deal in hand and so won practically hands down.

BILLIARDS.

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP.

Mr. Oxberry, proprietor of the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, announces that in order to meet the wishes of the players in the above Championship, it has been decided to hold the tournament on the League system. Societies of teams are requested to send in the names of their players to Mr. Oxberry, at the hotel, as soon as possible, so that an early start might be made.

rates rather than merely to maintain the solidarity of the participants, the American Shipping Board is consulting with the allied companies over a proposal that each member puts up a guarantee fund of \$10,000, under the penalty of the regulations thereof being observed, while advising the Blue Funnel and other former participants. If the Blue Funnel line joins the Conference it has hope of becoming effective. The Japanese seafarers from the Conference are the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha. To the *Asahi*'s rather vague remarks it may be added that the chief trouble on the North Pacific has been that, while a fixed scale of freights was agreed upon, certain lines, when cargo has been scarce, have seen the whole of it, for no discoverable reason, go to their rivals. As soon as trade is slack, they say, the secret rebate comes into vogue. Of course, they can prove nothing, but they lose interest in Conferences—to the benefit of shippers says the *Japan Chronicle*.

At this stage it is presumed that either the farmer or his wife gave way and showed the burglars where to find the money. Then the aged couple were killed and the house set on fire.

MYSTERY SHIP.

VESSEL SEEN AGAIN.

NIGHT ENCOUNTER IN "PIRATE ZONE."

Yet another steamer reports an encounter at sea with the mysterious vessel carrying no lights and refusing to answer signals which has been seen off the United States North Atlantic coast.

Captain Herbert Wallace, master of the United States Shipping Board steamer "Craigmore," 2,496 tons, reported to the authorities on arrival at Boston that 10 days ago when off the coast of New Jersey, which had come to be known as the pirate zone, a steamer of about 3,500 tons appeared on his starboard bow and completely circled his vessel.

The stranger had no navigation lights and made no reply when the "Craigmore" attempted to call her with a Morse lamp. After steaming round, Captain Wallace's vessel the mystery ship slowed down and stopped her engines. The "Craigmore" proceeded unmolested.

Among the ships which reached New York was the Munson liner "Callao," for whose safety considerable fear was entertained after all attempts to get into wireless communication with her had failed.

At the same time another vessel of the same company had reported meeting the mysterious vessel without lights in the neighbourhood where the "Callao" was known to be. It now appears that the latter's wireless apparatus was out of order for several days after her departure from Cuba. The passengers were much amused to hear that they had been pictured by anxious friends as "walking the plank."

The ship's strong room contained \$1,000,000 in gold. Those who scoff at the idea of pirates in the North Atlantic ask how it was that the pirate's intelligence service came to overlook such a prize.

MANY MUTINIES.

Despatches from Washington say that the Department of Commerce has asked the Navy to supply seaplanes to patrol the pirate zone. It is added that the Department of Justice, which is investigating the mystery, still holds to the theory that the strange ship or ships which are continually reported off the New Jersey coast are being run by Bolsheviks, who have mutinied and seized the vessel. A number of mutinies aboard American ships in the last few weeks is advanced in support of this theory.

The Department believes that the raiders are putting into American ports to replenish supplies and dispose of their booty, using forged clearance papers—a device used by liquor smugglers recently captured by the Government authorities.

RICH MAN TORTURED.

HOARD DIVULGED AND HOUSE BURNED DOWN.

Mystery surrounds the discovery near Avranches, Department of the Manche, of the bodies of M. and Mme. Gombert, rich farmers, in the wreckage of their house, which was burned down early one Sunday morning.

At first it was thought that an accident had occurred, but the post-mortem examination indicates that the couple were murdered by persons who then set fire to the house in order to conceal their crime. M. Gombert, who had a stout rope tied round his neck, had received three knife wounds and his head had been badly battered. He had recently been in possession of a large sum of money. It is thought that men must have broken into the house at night, tied the old farmer up, and then tortured him with knife cuts because he refused to disclose where he had hidden his money.

M. Gombert apparently resisted until they placed a rope about his neck and hanged him to a beam in the kitchen.

At this stage it is presumed that either the farmer or his wife gave way and showed the burglars where to find the money. Then the aged couple were killed and the house set on fire.

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tion of temperature in summer and winter with the remarkable changes between the two and the striking discontinuities at the coast lines, the distribution of water in the atmosphere showing the great reservoirs of moisture from which rain comes, the normal distribution of cloud and rainfall in July noteworthy for the monsoon rains of India and the Guinea coast, the normal distribution of winds, and the corresponding distribution of pressure.

BOILER CONDENSER AND FLY-WHEEL.
The lecturer said he would regard the atmosphere as a great steamer engine. A steam engine had a boiler, a condenser, and a fly-wheel. The boiler of the atmosphere was the warm surface of earth and sea, the condenser some cold surfaces in the polar regions and the great mountain peaks, but principally the cold regions of the upper air. The fly-wheel was made up partly of the normal winds and partly of the semi-permanent winds of cyclonic depression. The normal winds grouped themselves into two great circumpolar circulation in the upper air in which air travelled from west to east, and on the other hand a comparatively narrow equatorial belt of air continually passing westward. Between the two, over the great oceans, were permanent anticyclonic circulation, huge travelling bands of air with thousand miles long (W. to E.) and a thousand miles wide (N. to S.). They reminded one of the driving belts of industry. As they moved round the equator they carried forward the westward moving air of the polar circulation on the south side and the eastward moving air of the equatorial circulation on the north side. They were thus the gear that kept the main fly-wheels of the atmosphere in working order.

Underlying all meteorological work was the desire to relate the behaviour of the air to laws of dynamics and physics. There were two lines of meteorological work, one the observation and collection of facts about the weather from all parts of the world and the other the formation of a mechanical and physical theory.

After referring to the composition of the air and the probability of the atmosphere at great heights being entirely hydrogen or entirely helium or entirely geocoronium, the lecturer exhibited maps showing the coast line of the globe and the distribution

BRINGING UP FATHER.



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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

PROJECTED DEPARTURE
CHINA COAST, ETC.

SWATOW.
Sept. 6.—C. N. Chusan.
8.—C. S. K. Hainan.
10.—D. L. Amakusa Maru.
11.—S. K. Sado Maru.
12.—D. S. K. Sado Maru.
13.—D. L. Hainan.
14.—D. L. Hainan.

AMOY.

Sept. 6.—D. L. Hainan.
6.—C. S. K. Amakusa Maru.
8.—C. S. K. Sado Maru.
10.—D. L. Hainan.
12.—D. L. Hainan.

FOOCHOW.

Sept. 6.—D. L. Hainan.
10.—D. L. Hainan.

SHANGHAI.

Sept. 6.—C. N. Chekiang.
7.—C. N. Tungchow.
8.—C. N. Sungshing.
10.—C. N. Ningbo.
12.—C. N. Sinkiang.
13.—C. N. Soochow.
15.—C. N. Shiyang.
17.—C. N. Fomants.
21.—D. F. Demodocus.
Oct. 2.—L. T. Peria.
12.—B. F. Tydeus.
13.—B. F. Rhesus.
Nov. 9.—B. F. Leucodon.

TIENTSIN.

Sept. 6.—C. N. Chekiang.
8.—C. N. Huihow.

WEIHAIWEI AND CHEFOO.

Sept. 6.—C. N. Huihow.

TAKU AND DALNY.

Sept. 6.—C. N. Chekiang.
10.—B. F. Eumenis.
Oct. 12.—B. F. Tydeus.
Nov. 9.—B. F. Leucodon.

HANKOW.

Sept. 21.—D. F. Demodocus.

TSINGTAO.

Sept. 7.—C. N. Tschingtao.
10.—C. N. Yinchow.
17.—C. N. Suyang.

TAKAO.

Sept. 6.—O. S. K. Soshi Maru.

KEELUNG.

Sept. 6.—O. S. K. Amakusa Maru.
10.—T. K. Kore Maru.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Sept. 6.—C. N. Laosan.
14.—C. N. Kaitong.

SAIGON.

Sept. 12.—C. J. L. Tjilatap.
18.—M. N. Porthos.
31.—C. J. L. Chidlar.
Oct. 1.—O. S. K. Kishi Maru.

SINGAPORE.

Sept. 6.—S. & D. West Calera.
8.—A. L. Glymont.
15.—A. L. Cedarella.
Oct. 1.—O. S. K. Kishi Maru.
4.—C. M. Nile.
15.—C. M. China.
Nov. 23.—C. M. Nanking.

BANGKOK.

Sept. 6.—C. N. Chusan.
6.—C. S. K. Lengane.
Oct. 1.—O. S. K. Kishi Maru.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ETC.

MANILA.
Sept. 2.—C. S. K. Tuantran.
10.—B. F. Tundarons.
Oct. 11.—A. L. Silver State.
18.—B. F. Proteus.
Nov. 9.—B. F. Ixion.
23.—B. F. Tathibus.
Dec. 21.—B. F. Tyndareus.
Jan. 18.—B. F. Proteus.

SANDAKAN.

Sept. 7.—C. S. N. Hinsang.
JAYA PORTS, ETC.

CALCUTTA.
(Via Rangoon).
Sept. 7.—C. S. N. Numazu.
8.—B. F. Aratozo Apur.
12.—T. K. Nagato Maru.
17.—B. F. Tanda.
30.—B. F. Takada.

INDIAN PORTS, ETC.

BOMBAY AND COLOMBO.
Sept. 6.—N. Y. K. Tamra Maru.
12.—P. & O. Diwari.
14.—O. S. K. Peking Maru.
20.—N. Y. K. Tatuno Maru.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

SYDNEY AND MELOCURNE.
Sept. 11.—N. Y. K. Tango Maru.
19.—A. O. Changsha.
22.—E. & A. Irafura.
Oct. 17.—E. & A. Nikko Maru.
18.—N. Y. K. Nikko Maru.

JAPAN PORTS.

Sept. 6.—N. Y. K. Benten Maru.
6.—C. N. S. K. Benten Maru.
7.—C. J. L. Tjikar.
9.—B. F. Tjikar.
12.—P. & O. Khiva.
13.—C. S. N. Liang.
16.—N. Y. K. Nikko Maru.
19.—M. M. Armand Behic.
27.—B. F. Antilochus.
28.—P. & A. Afraria.
29.—P. & O. Sardinia.
Oct. 3.—B. F. Pelus.
5.—B. F. Hyson.
11.—B. F. Karmala.
14.—B. F. Macao.
27.—B. F. Nyct.
30.—B. F. Mentec.
Nov. 4.—B. F. Somali.
23.—P. & O. Syria.
Dec. 7.—P. & O. Dougla.
21.—P. & O. Kashm.

AMERICAN POSTS.

VANCOUVER.
Sept. 11.—S. F. Taliburn.
15.—C. P. O. S. Empress of Asia.
21.—C. P. O. S. Empress of Japan.
23.—S. & D. West Canan.
28.—D. L. Besie Dollar.
Oct. 3.—R. F. Tyndareus.
14.—C. P. O. S. Empress of Russia.
27.—C. P. O. S. Montevideo.
Nov. 1.—B. F. Proteus.
24.—B. F. Ixon.
28.—D. L. Harold Dollar.
Dec. 14.—R. F. Tathibus.
Jan. 1.—B. F. Tyndareus.

SEATTLE.

Sept. 9.—N. Y. K. Katori Maru.
10.—W. L. West Jester.
10.—A. L. Ferstone State.
20.—O. S. K. Alabama Maru.
23.—S. & D. West Canan.
Oct. 4.—O. S. K. Arabia Maru.
11.—N. Y. K. Kashiwa Maru.
11.—A. L. Eldridge.
22.—A. L. Silver State.
23.—N. Y. K. Suwa Maru.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Sept. 8.—J. C. J. L. Simlaor.
9.—T. K. K. Tento Maru.
18.—C. M. Nanking.
19.—C. M. Korea Maru.
20.—C. M. Sinkiang.
21.—C. M. Shinyo Maru.
22.—C. M. Hwang State.
29.—C. M. Persia Maru.
Nov. 3.—C. M. Nile.
15.—T. K. K. Siberia Maru.

VALPARAISO.

(Via the Cape).
Sept. 19.—N. Y. K. Kangawa Maru.
(Via JAPAN, HOTOLIC, SAN FRANCISCO, SAN PEDRO, CALLO, ARICA & IQUITO).

NEW YORK.

(VIA PANAMA).
Sept. 14.—O. S. K. Amur Maru.
15.—P. L. Tuscan Prince.
15.—A. L. Schodack.
18.—N. Y. K. Dakar Maru.
26.—D. L. Besie Dollar.
Nov. 26.—D. L. Harold Dollar.
(VIA SCREE).

HANKOW.

Sept. 7.—B. F. Atreus.
8.—B. F. City of Canton.
29.—B. F. Kristi Tempel.
30.—D. L. Co. Kendi Castle.
Oct. 6.—B. F. Grace Drill.
13.—B. F. Eurymachus.
Nov. 13.—B. F. Pelus.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

DURBAN AND CAPE TOWN.
(VIA SINGAPORE, BURNOS BARS, RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS AND MACAUCHES).

EUROPEAN PORTS.

BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE.
Oct. 15.—L. T. Persia.

MARSEILLES.

Sept. 18.—M. M. Portos.
LONDON.

Sept. 6.—B. F. Keefur.
6.—P. & O. Kashmir.
8.—O. S. K. Alaska Maru.
12.—G. L. Glenamoy.
13.—B. F. Neles.
15.—N. & O. K. Klyber.
16.—N. & O. K. Sandon Maru.
24.—R. F. Tottori Maru.
25.—G. L. Elphnor.
25.—G. L. Glentara.
25.—G. L. Glenapp.
25.—G. L. Kentcay.
4.—B. F. Glauces.
11.—B. F. Khiva.
23.—B. F. Tizian.
25.—G. L. Sardines.
Nov. 11.—P. & O. Barmals.
25.—P. & O. Nyazza.
25.—P. & O. Mentor.
25.—P. & O. Sonali.
27.—B. F. Teresa.

LIVERPOOL.

Sept. 8.—B. F. Ascanius.
12.—B. F. Ningchow.
Oct. 2.—N. Y. K. Lisbon Maru.
5.—B. F. Therese.
7.—B. F. Eumeus.
20.—B. F. Telechamus.
Nov. 1.—B. F. Attlochus.

HAMBURG.

Sept. 12.—A. L. Crook.
25.—H. E. A. L. Tjikdar.
Oct. 21.—H. E. A. Alderacina.
Nov. 10.—H. E. A. Boeze.
Dec. 10.—H. E. A. Tokari.
Jan. 10.—H. E. A. Alderbaran.

PASSENGERS.

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BANKS
Hongkong Banks \$750 b.
Do. £35 paid \$435 b.
East Asia Bank \$153 b.

MARINE INSURANCE
Castor Insurance \$400 b. 40%
North China Insurance T163 n.
Union Standard \$928 b.
Yangtze Insurance \$241 b.
Far Eastern T22 b.
Fire Insurance \$123 b.
China Fire Insurance \$123 b.
Hongkong Fire Insurance \$30 b.

SHIPPING
Donglase \$157 b.
H. K. Steamboats \$29 b.
Indo-China \$38 b.
Do. (Dvl.) \$80 b. 20% L.R.
\$25 b. H.K.R.

Shell Transport 100% s.
Star Ferries \$231 b. 33%
BREWERY
China Sugars \$160 n.
Malabar Sugars \$65 n.

MISCELLANEOUS
Kalee Minlog Adm. \$76 b.
Langata \$10 b.
Shaghat Leans \$10 b.
Shah Explorations \$10 b.
Talud \$26 b.
Tinakhi Mines \$26 b.
Tial Capitan 14/3 b.

DOCK WHARF, Godown, &c.
H. & K. Wharf \$190 b. 9% 90%
H. & W. Dock \$162 b.
Shah Dock 13/3 b.
New Engineering 11/3 b.
Larva, Horza & Burdett \$143 b.
Central Estates \$143 b.
Hongkong Hotels \$215 b.
Hongkong Lands \$200 b.
Humphrys \$101 b.
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1911.

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DESPERATE MOPLAH FIGHT.

LAEBOUR PARALYSIS MAKES HARVESTING IMPOSSIBLE.

TROUBLE STILL BREWING IN MADRAS.

CALICUT, September 4.

The fight at Tirurangi which resulted in the capture of the rebel leader Alimudiar and 42 other Moplahs lasted several hours, the rebels resisting desperately to the end. About 40 Moplahs were killed. Two British soldiers were killed and four wounded. The rebels used a kind of rocket carrying a sharp spike. A quantity of explosives and weapons were captured.

As a result of the rebellion the harvesting of the first crop is almost out of the question and in many parts fears are entertained with regard to the second crop owing to the wholesale paralysis of labour.

TREASURES THREATENED.

MADRAS, September 4.

Trouble is still brewing at Maanaraghath and hundreds of refugees are fleeing to Palghat. Reports of robbery and plundering are arriving from Ponnani. The local police have telegraphed saying that the treasures at Ponnani and Chawgat are threatened and requesting urgent military aid. It is reported that an ultimatum has been sent the rebels demanding their surrender within 48 hours.

THE MALABAR REBELLION.

TROOPS DISPERSE IT.

BOMBAY, September 5.

The situation in Malabar is easing. The rebels are fleeing from the troops and taking to the jungle. Ali Musalia and a number of other Moplahs have been safely jailed.

TRouble IN GERMANY.

POLICE AND DEMONSTRATORS FIGHT AT COBURG.

BERLIN, September 5.

Sanguinary collisions between police and demonstrators are reported from Coburg, Bavaria. A number were wounded by hand grenades and gunfire.

AVIATION GRAND PRIX.

FRENCHMAN WINS WITH SPEED AVERAGING 144 MILES AN HOUR.

BRESCIA, September 5.

A Frenchman named Sadi Lecointe won the Aviation Grand Prix of 300 kilometres in 73 minutes 9 1/5 seconds, averaging 144 miles an hour. An Italian named Brakpapa was second, in 89 minutes.

BETTER BEER,

TESTS WITH 4,000 TYPES OF SEEDLINGS.

Experiments are being carried out by the Institute of Brewing with a view to producing beer of better quality.

New varieties of hops are being sought and more than 4,000 seedlings will form experimental plots which have been designed to find the ideal conditions for drying hops.

resting power and a higher content of the resinous substances to which beer owes its bitter and pleasant flavour.

Some of the experiments on the effect of fertilisers on the brewing value of the hops will not be completed for several years. In the meantime important tests will probably be begun at the next hop-picking season with four experimental plots which have been designed to find the ideal conditions for drying hops.

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(Direct)		London, Amsterdam & Antwerp
5th Sept.		London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
6th Sept.		London, Amsterdam & Antwerp
13th Sept.		London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
21st Sept.		London, Amsterdam & Antwerp
4th Oct.		London, Amsterdam & Antwerp

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

(Direct or via Continental Ports)		Genoa, Marseilles & Liverpool
"NINGCHOW"	11th Sept.	
"THESEUS"	5th Oct.	Havre & Liverpool
"EUMAEUS"	7th Oct.	Genoa, Marseilles & Liverpool
"TELEMACHUS"	20th Oct.	Rotterdam & Liverpool

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via Kobe and Yokohama)		Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver
"TALTHYBIUS"	14th Sept.	
"TYNDAREUS"	5th Oct.	
"PROTESILAUS"	2nd Nov.	

NEW YORK SERVICE

(via Suez or Panama)		via Suez
"ATREUS"	7th Sept.	

PASSENGER SERVICE

10th Sept.		for Singapore & Liverpool
"ASCANIUS"	11th Oct.	for Singapore & London

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Telegraphic Communication with Gap Rock Lighthouse is interrupted.

Parcel Post Service to Poeh and places beyond Nanning is temporarily suspended.

It is forbidden to send by post Opium, Morphine, Cocaine and other Narcotics except in insured parcels accompanied by a permit to export signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

The following regulations which have been made between the Post Offices of the United Kingdom and this Colony for the Dispatch of Undeliverable Parcels and which will be enforced on the 1st September 1911, are published for general information:-

The Sender of a parcel may request at the time of posting that, if a parcel cannot be delivered as addressed it may be either (a) treated as abandoned, or (b) tendered for delivery at a second address in the country of destination. So (b) tendered for delivery at a second address without previous notification and at his expense (parcel) to be returned to the sender without previous notification and at his expense (parcel) to be returned to the sender to care of "Post Office" or "Post Master" if this parcel is undeliverable to the addressee, it should be:

(a) considered as abandoned

(b) tendered for delivery to.....

(The alternative not required should be struck out).

In the absence of a definite request for abandonment a parcel which is undeliverable at the original address, or at the alternative address (if one is furnished) will at the expiration of 15 days from date of its receipt in the United Kingdom or 21 days in this Colony, revert in the case of a "Post Registry" parcel to the sender without previous notification and at his expense (parcel) to be returned to the sender to care of "Post Office" or "Post Master" if this parcel is undeliverable or abandoned. Such a parcel will be liable to demurrage charge as per the Hongkong Postal Guide.

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAIIS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where roads are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAIIS.

From Per MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

Streets..... Calcutta Maru
LONDON (P & O only 9th July)..... Eurytmachus
Japan..... Tambe Maru
Shanghai..... Sunning
Shantung..... Yingchow

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

Calcutta and Straits..... Benten Maru
Straits..... Takeda

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Newspapers, London 4th Aug.)..... Kwaisang

OUTWARD MAIIS.

For Per MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

Taipei..... Taiming..... 4.30 p.m.
Kam Ying Fat..... 5 p.m.
Saichow..... 5 p.m.
Yado Maru..... 6 p.m.
Hopsang..... 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.

Kashmir..... 9 a.m.

Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 7.

Cheongchung..... 10 a.m.
Haitun..... 10 a.m.
Chipching..... 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

Ginyo Maru..... 10 a.m.
Szechuen..... 2 p.m.
Lake Fielding..... 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.

Keemun..... 5 p.m.
Lokking..... 5 p.m.
Alderman..... 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

Yungching..... 1 p.m.
Halicon..... 1 p.m.
Nansing..... 3 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.

Gruining..... 8 a.m.
Eddy Maru..... 9 a.m.
Hinrang..... 10 a.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

Yunnan..... 8 a.m.
Takao..... 5 p.m.